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Executive Registry:

Kindly file the attached all together so
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UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY
WEST POINT, NEW YORK

Department of Social Sciences

H. Beukema
4 November 1952

Mr. Allan W. Dulles, Deputy Director
Central Intelligence Agency
2430 E Street, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Dulles:

This note will confirm Cadet Haskell's plea for your appearance as a guest speaker of the West Point Forum, 28 January. I sincerely hope that nothing will interfere with your acceptance of the invitation. Be assured that you will be signing up for a stimulating, though perhaps exhausting, experience.

SOP for a Forum session runs as follows:

1. Arrival in early afternoon for a brief tour of some of the more interesting features of West Point. Cadets function as escorts.
2. 1600: Open meeting for your address. Normally, the speech is followed by questions submitted by a Forum panel, and thereafter, questions from the audience.
3. 1810: Supper in the Mess Hall with a group of Forum members.
4. 1915-2030: Evening question-and-answer session with Forum members.
5. 2030: The speaker is rescued by personnel of the Department and revived with Bourbon or Scotch.

The Forum, a cadet-hatched agency, traces its birth to our SCUSA. I enclose a copy of the report of our 1951 session. When and as you have the time to look it over, you will note that SCUSA is in several respects a larger-scale replica of the conferences which the Council on Foreign Relations used to mount for college students.

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ward to seeing you,

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Sincerely yours,

Herman Beukema
HERMAN BEUKEMA
Colonel, USA
Professor

MAR 31 1953

Major General F. A. Irving
Superintendent
United States Military Academy
West Point, New York

Dear General Irving:

Thank you very much for your cordial letter of 11 March and particularly for the invitation to take advantage of your hospitality when I come up to West Point on April 20th. Unfortunately, Mrs. Dulles will be prevented by a prior engagement from accompanying me to the Military Academy but I shall be delighted and honored to be your overnight guest after the lecture.

My Executive Assistant, [redacted], is working out the details with Colonel Lincoln of your staff.

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Sincerely yours,

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Allen W. Dulles
Director

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OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT
UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY
WEST POINT, NEW YORK

11 March 1953

The Honorable Allen Dulles
Director, Central Intelligence Agency
2430 E Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Dulles:

It was with great pleasure that I received the information that you have consented to lecture at West Point on April 20th. In view of your important position, we are highly gratified that you are able to find time to address the cadets and officers of the Post.

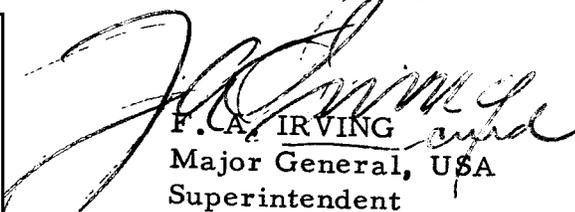
Arrangements for your talk, such as audience, length, clearance or press coverage will, of course, be in accordance with your desires.

Mrs. Irving and I hope that Mrs. Dulles can accompany you and wish to extend an invitation to you to be overnight guests at our home during your visit.

If agreeable to you, we are planning a seated dinner in your honor following the lecture.

We are anticipating your visit with much pleasure, and I am personally looking forward to meeting you.

Sincerely yours,


F. A. IRVING
Major General, USA
Superintendent

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5 March 1953

Mr. Earman:

You asked for the letter from Colonel Lincoln when it came in. Do you still want it even though you have now talked with him on the phone?

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UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY
WEST POINT, NEW YORK

Department of Social Sciences

3 March 1953

Dear Mr. Dulles:

This letter is to give a basis for picking a time for your trip to West Point. Perhaps the best way to go forward with it is to ask your secretary to call me up.

You are an individual that the entire First Class will want to hear and what you have to say is important to our people. This late in the year the scheduling of the Cadet Forum is always subject to the hazards of suddenly conceived practice drill or similar formation. Also, it is very difficult in April and May for the Forum people to get together since the local authorities tend to schedule their time on a 24 hour cycle. Hence, we want to schedule your lecture as a formal Military Academy presentation in collaboration with the Cadet Forum which will try and get a hold of you for an hour's informal discussion while you are here.

I suggest the following dates for a talk by you to the First (Senior) Class:

- a. The evening of 22 April.
- b. The evening of 4 May.
- c. The evening of 8 May. (This is a slightly less desirable date than others because we may have quite a few athletic teams away--this being a Friday night.)
- d. The morning of 7 May (9:30 to 10:30).
- e. The morning of 12 May (9:30 to 10:30).

Our lectures here have to, unfortunately, conform to a tight class schedule and can be only 60-65 minutes long. We would hope that you would talk for not more than 50 minutes and leave 10-15 minutes for questions from the cadets. The starting time for evening lectures is 7:10 p.m., which means dinner for the speaker at an ungodly early hour.

You will be talking to the First (Senior) Class which has about 500 cadets plus perhaps some cadets from the Second Class. In addition there will be officers of the Post. If you desire we can close the lecture, in which case you can count on everyone present being

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cleared to the level of Secret. In due course will you let me know whether you want to talk closed. Otherwise some enlisted and civilian personnel and perhaps some ladies of the Post (very charming people) will almost certainly turn up to listen to you.

We will not, of course, make any attempt to outline what you might say, but the following are a few thoughts, some of them consistent with the fact that this will be smack in the middle of the First Class international relations course in which our textual material is unfortunately somewhat deficient in the tactics and techniques of communism:

- a. The cadets know little of strategic intelligence and will probably hope that you will tell them a lot about dirty tricks.
- b. There is some need for giving motivation to these people in the field of intelligence and also in the field of policymaking. They do not realize how soon they will be in the business or how important it is.
- c. I would hope that you will give them the place of intelligence in the policymaking business and something of how it applies to current long-lasting foreign policy problems. In spite of our best efforts, some of our students are only dimly aware that much of international affairs and much of strategy (like love and football games) deal principally with possibilities and probabilities --not with absolute certainties.

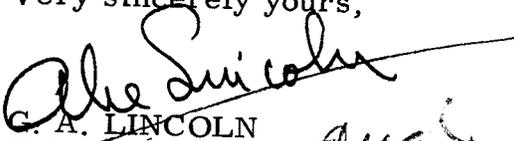
As to the logistical arrangements, we can work them out later, perhaps by telephone with your secretary. Gen. Irving has asked me to let him know when you can come so he may write you asking that you stay with him. If you speak in the evening I hope that you will plan to arrive by the middle of the afternoon since the only opportunity these energetic young gentlemen would have to talk to you would be between 4:30 and 6:00. If you speak in the morning it is logistically necessary that you come up the evening before and we certainly hope that you will come along no later than the late afternoon.

After you have looked over the above dates will your secretary give me a ring on probabilities even if, at this time, you cannot give a certainty.

I have coordinated all this with young John Haskell. On the question you asked him about air flights, I think we will be able to work that out alright between the Superintendent's plane, SAMS, and any good relations we happen to have with the Air Force. If the weather fails we can pick you up at La Guardia which is a short two hours from West Point.

I apologize for inflicting this lengthy missive on a very busy man.

Very sincerely yours,


G. A. LINCOLN
Colonel, USA
Professor

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